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## Health Workforce Council • Home Care Aides Update

Caregiver training deadlines are coming up. For those who need to complete Basic Training their training deadline depends on their hire date as noted on the chart below. Those caregivers needing to take the certification test with Department of Health have some additional time to complete that step as noted <a href="here">here</a>. Caregivers are encouraged to complete their <a href="application">application</a> with Department of Health well in advance of training completion in order to expedite the testing scheduling process. Information on upcoming <a href="Benefit Group Basic Training classes">Benefit Group Basic Training classes</a> should be used to plan training schedules. Unionized Agency Providers should contact their agency to register for training. Individual Providers should contact the Member Resource Center. There are plenty of course options for those still needing to complete Basic Training.

Worker hired or rehired during the time frame of:	Basic Training Deadline
8/17/2019 to 9/30/2020	10/31/2022
10/1/2020 to 4/30/2021	1/31/2023
5/1/2021 to 6/30/2022	4/30/2023
7/1/2022-9/30/2022	8/31/2023
10/1/2022-12/31/2022 or the end of gubernatorial waivers	9/30/2023 or within 120 days after the end of the gubernatorial waivers
After the end of gubernatorial waivers or beginning $1/1/2023$	Regular 120 day deadline

With the 7/29 announcement from the Governors Office regarding an anticipated end to the public health emergency (PHE) there is an effect on the Continuing Education deadline. With the end of the PHE now planned for 10/27/22 that means that the new CE deadline is 2/24/23.

There are over 900 in person or webinar CE classes are scheduled across the state between now and the end of November. Additional in person courses will be added for subsequent months per our scheduling cadence. There are also <u>online course options</u> available as well that can be completed at the caregivers convenience. Caregivers are responsible for <u>renewing their certification</u> with Department of Health.

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